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1. During 1954, the Promproekt (Industrial Planning) Institute of Sofia drew up plans for the construction of six or seven large cotton warehouses in Stara Zagora, with two special departments for the separation of cotton fibers from the seeds. The projects included the installation of pneumatic equipment to convey cotton from the warehouse to the cleaning and separating departments.
2. The initial plans for an edible-oil factory with an adjacent 4,000 kwh.-power plant were formulated in 1953 and called for the introduction of a new method in the extraction of oil. The draft plans of the plant, called "Nova Ekstrakciya" ("New Extraction"), were sent to East Germany for evaluation and for bids on the requisite machinery and generators.
3. The Promproekt Institute planned construction of a large furniture factory in the Nadeshdia Kvartal (Ward) of Sofia. At the beginning of 1955, the discovery that a new road was to cut through the selected plot delayed construction indefinitely.
4. The Institute planned to install pneumatic conveyor equipment, with a capacity of one ton per hour, in the "Siri Dimitrov" Spinning Mills, Sliven, and in the "1 May" Spindle Factory at Kazanluk.
5. One of the projects called for development of the "Vulkan" Cement Factory at Dimitrograd. Two new East German Polizius furnaces to supplement the old furnace were put into operation in 1954. Expansion of the factory's power plant from 4,000 to 12,500 kwh. was outlined in 1954-1955. Equipment for two steam boilers with a total output of 32 tons per hour arrived from East Germany. One of the three requisite turbines for the power plant was delivered by the Ministry of Transportation which had purchased it in about 1950.
6. Workers' housing projects, which are now being built near the "Lenin" State Metallurgical Plant at Dimitrovo and the "Karl Marks" Soda Plant in Reka Devnya near Stalin, were planned by the Institute.

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